

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IN VIRGINIA

The death of Col. J. Hampton Hoge removes from the sphere of Virginia politics one of the brainiest leaders the Republican party had in Virginia, a man at once intellectual and active, and the minority party of the Old Dominion will have trouble in filling his shoes. The Republicans have long suffered in Virginia on account of their policy of pandering to the negro, but their political enemies, the Democrats, have effectively removed this political lion-stone from the party's neck and they have no reason to fear a return of the negro question to the State arena. In addition, however, to the incubus mentioned the party has had to contend with something almost as bad in the shape of a horde of office-seeking politicians, who have for years manipulated the party machinery with no idea of success, permeated only with the one thought and possessed of the one desire of seizing upon every Federal State office within the gift of each successive administration. Thus the party has drifted along, and what has been the result? The Democratic party has year in and year out, with candidates weak or strong, overwhelmingly carried the State until politics in Virginia has become no more exciting than a game of solitaire, and the Republican party instead of developing since the demise of Readjusterism into a healthy opposition organization has allowed itself to be utilized as a tool for the advancement of the fortunes of a few men. When the Republicans of Virginia intend to put an end to a condition of affairs so absolutely undesirable we do not know, but we do know that not even the Washington distributing counter is going to smile in their direction much longer, unless they do a little more work toward winning a successful fight and a little less office-seeking. The time has now arrived for the Republicans of the First district to emulate the example of those in the Ninth, and get themselves in fighting trim, ready not to wage the perfunctory campaigns of the past eight or ten years, but a live, aggressive fight for supremacy. The Free Lance has no interest in the matter beyond the fact of desiring, as we have often stated before, to see a healthy opposition party in Virginia, so that the people's views and wishes may have more weight with politicians and legislators than is the case at present. Too much power is a menace to good government, and we would see the two parties more evenly balanced. Let the Republicans in this district make the move.

AN ILLUSTRATION.

Just to give the objectors an illustration, a farmer who doesn't live over ten miles from this city informs us that he lost the sale of over 100 cords of wood this winter simply because the roads were so bad that he could not haul over them.

Such illustrations serve to show that the farmers can not afford to have poor roads, however strenuously they may kick against the expense of building good ones.—Newport News Press.

We are led to believe that the terrible condition of the roads this winter will stir the people of the counties hereabout to action.

From all appearances it would seem that the present Legislature thinks the best way to kill a bill is to allow it to remain pigeon-holed in some of its old archives until the public shall become oblivious of its existence. But just in this connection we may be pardoned for suggesting that the average citizen hopes to see the next election held under the provisions of the Barksdale bill, minus the Cumming, "old man of the sea," amendment.

Of all the absurd charges made lately the one to the effect that a certain religious denomination controls the State institutions of learning is the most absurd. These institutions are non-sectarian and we have no idea that this or that religious belief has anything to do with a choice of their professors and teachers. The subject is, however, too unimportant to warrant discussion.

Lieutenant Hobson expects to go from the U. S. Senate to the Presidential chair, but he does not state why he looks upon the Senate as a stepping stone. It has not proved so in the past.

Wonder if "Divinely Appointed" Baer will take care of the freezing poor during this cold snap, or was his appointment only for the purpose of raising the price of coal?

Members of the various social clubs throughout Virginia will breathe easier now that the Legislature has agreed not to place them in the bar-room category.

In order to effectually blockade Congressman Bankhead Lieutenant Hobson will have to sink a more menacing obstruction than "a Mermaid."

BATTLEFIELD PARK.

Our esteemed contemporary, the Richmond Times-Dispatch, agrees with us that a battlefield park should be established in this section, and has the following to say about Speaker Henderson's stubbornness in the matter:

It is to be regretted that Speaker Henderson has refused to recognize Congressmen Hay at this session of Congress to move an appropriation to establish a national battlefield park in Spotsylvania county. But Mr. Hay will probably have better luck in the next Congress, when there will be a more liberal one.

Virginia is the great battlefield State, and it would be little enough for the Federal Government to do to establish one national battlefield park within our bounds. And while the vicinity of Richmond and that of Petersburg and that of Appomattox each has claims for this distinction, in the estimation of the veterans of both armies Spotsylvania has yet greater claims and advantages. At any rate, public effort of late has been concentrated upon and in favor of the Spotsylvania scheme.

We are not ignorant of the fact that some members of Congress are opposed to establishing any more military parks; but we believe they would be found in a minority could the Spotsylvania proposition be fully and earnestly discussed in the hearing of the two houses of Congress.

The Shannon Daily News is receiving quite an amount of criticism for its action in cutting the country weeklies off its exchange list. We do not know what reason actuates our contemporary, but for ourselves we could not well afford to be without these welcome weekly visitors. We have a place in our office always awaiting them, and their columns furnish an accurate gauge of public sentiment.

LEGISLATURE.

Senator Wickham Grows Poetic.

Senator Wickham, chairman of the finance committee, presented a bill from that committee providing for the payment of certain indebtedness. There had been a slight disagreement as to the matters involved, but upon explanation being made they were speedily adjusted. In presenting the bill and explaining its provisions, Senator Wickham was poetical. Quoting the words used by Representative H. H. Hays, he said: "The House of Representatives, February 14, regarding Major Andrew's comment on a disagreement between Generals Howe and Gates, of Revolutionary fame, Senator Wickham said:

"Such honor did they both display, They highly were commended; And thus, in short, this gallant pay Without mischance was ended."

No fresh dispute we may suppose Will everby them be started; And now the chide, no longer foes, Shook hands, and so they parted."

When Senator Wickham concluded the members gave him a hearty round of applause. The rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

Mr. Powers introduced a bill to amend the law in relation to parishment and to amend the law relating to the sale of land by which territory adjacent to the city of Alexandria was annexed to its jurisdiction and pass upon the question of annexing territory to any city.

Senator Cromwell offered an amendment to the Lytle child labor bill, providing against the employment of children in manufacturing establishments between the hours of 6 P. M. and 7 A. M.

The Anderson bill providing methods for annexation by cities of contiguous territory was passed.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Representative Hay has succeeded in having Major Georges, of the surgical branch of the army, promoted to the rank of colonel. The bill has passed both houses.

Dr. Geo. C. Mann, of Montross, Westmoreland county, was summoned home from Baltimore by the illness of his child. When he reached home he found the child had died a few hours before. The remains were interred in the cemetery at the M. E. Church.

Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock in St. James Episcopal Church, at Warrenton, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Mary Harrison Chatterton and Mr. Edward Astley Cooper. Rev. W. H. K. Padden, of Marietta, O., cousin of the bride officiated. The bride was given away by her brother, William F. Randolph, of Clarke county. The best man was John H. Hoge, of Warrenton. The ushers were George H. Stone, E. R. W. Barker and John S. Gimes, all of Warrenton and N. T. N. Robinson, Jr., of Washington.

Grand Lodge of Pythians Elect Officers.

The grand lodge of Pythians in session at Roanoke elected officers as follows: Grand Chancellor, George E. Cabell, of Danville; Vice-Chancellor, J. P. Holt, of Hampton; Grand Preceptor, H. E. Dickinson, of Richmond; Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, Walter A. Edwards, of Norfolk; Grand Master of the Exchequer, Thomas L. Courtney, of Richmond; Grand Master-at-Arms, J. R. Bryan, of Roanoke; Grand Inner Guard, Major R. E. Warren, of Portsmouth; Grand Outer Guard, Ernest L. Cunningham, of Berkeley; Sitting Past Chancellor, James W. Giddens, of Richmond.

Petersburg was selected as the next place of meeting by the Grand Lodge.

Bail Denied Tillman.

Chief Justice Pope, at Columbia, S. C., has refused the application for bail of James H. Tillman charged with killing Goshawks. It was the role of the court, he said, in such cases to make no explanation of the reasons governing the decision. Murder was the taking of human life with malice aforethought.

KILLED HIS BROTHER.

"CARRIE" BAINE FOUGHT HIM BEFORE THEIR MOTHER.

Death Duel in The Home in Westmoreland County.

At Baynesville, Westmoreland county, "Carrie" Baine Tuesday shot and killed his brother Joseph with a 32-caliber pistol. The shooting occurred at the home of Mrs. Eliza Baine, mother of the two brothers.

Carrie and his brother Joseph have been on bad terms for some time. When the former called at his mother's home to borrow an oyster knife, Joseph at once entered his mother's room and asked Carrie what business he had there, saying: "Haven't I forbidden you coming here?" To this Carrie replied, saying he had as much right there as Joseph. Joseph then seized a butcher knife and made for his brother. They clinched, and in the struggle Carrie fired his pistol four times, each shot taking effect, three bullets in the left breast and one in left arm. Joseph took about three steps, fell and died instantly. Carrie went to the home of his brother-in-law and informed him of what had happened.

Carrie attempted to board the steamer Randall, at Colonial Beach, last night, but was arrested.

CARRIE BAINE RAILED.

Carrie Baine, who shot his brother to death at his mother's home, at Baynesville, Westmoreland county, Tuesday, was given a preliminary trial before Justice Chandler, of Montross, Thursday. The prisoner was bailed in the sum of \$500 for his appearance at the next term of the County Court of Westmoreland which will be held on Monday.

Campbell Evidence All In.

The Campbell investigation was brief Wednesday night, but of interest. Only 3 of the 20 witnesses brought in rebuttal for the prosecution were examined.

Rev. George H. Ray was telling about seeing a negro carrying a jug from Day's drug store on Sunday, when such strenuous opposition was raised to admitting this testimony that an adjournment was taken. The witnesses include many prominent citizens of Annerst, and the defense is fighting vigorously against admitting their testimony.

S. E. Bowman, a notary public, told of two affidavits made by Juror Burford that the jury had an argument in advance of the trial of Judge Campbell.

Junglist Krieger swore that he sold only 10 gallons of whiskey in 10 years, while it had been stated in evidence that he sold 24 barrels in 3 months.

The evidence in the Legislative investigation into the conduct of Judge Campbell is all in and the argument will be heard Thursday of next week. Then the committee will decide whether, in its judgment, Judge Campbell has been guilty of improper conduct and deserves to be punished.

Some belief in this case is divided. Some believe the judge is practically acquitted or that if the committee finds against him it will only be in the form of a resolution of censure. It is not thought that there will be any impeachment proceedings.

There were two sessions of the committee Friday, and evidence in rebuttal and surrebutal was heard. There was a little of a sensational nature in the testimony. The rulings of the committee cut off all of the most important witnesses for the prosecution. The prosecution was not permitted to put on Mr. Bowman to prove that Judge Campbell had a prescription bottle, or other witnesses to prove what was said in the jury room. The features of the trial were that several persons declared Rowe to be a man of good character and veracity; that several persons saw the negro Rowe going from Judge Campbell's house to Day's store with a jug, and the denial by Rev. Mr. Carson, formerly Judge Campbell's pastor, that he had ever told Judge Campbell he bought the jug from the negro. The argument was deferred because of the illness of Mr. Strode.

IN HONOR OF DR. J. L. M. CURRY.

Technological School Will Be Established and Bear His Name.

The trustees of Richmond College, at a special meeting, resolved to establish a school of technology to be named in honor of Dr. J. L. M. Curry, who was connected with the college for 35 years, first as one of its professors and later trustee and president of the board. It is understood that the trustees will endeavor to raise a fund of \$500,000 for the school. A committee consisting of President Boatwright, Gov. McCreary, J. Taylor Elyson, Robert S. Bowser, and Dr. Harley R. Ryland, were appointed to press the matter.

Death of a Child.

Mendfort Allen, the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Jones, died at the home of his parents Saturday, February 14, of brain fever, aged eight months, and was buried Monday, February 16. The services were conducted by Mr. V. J. Eleton. The pall-bearers were four little boys—Venton H. Hoge, Lee Edgerton, Layton Lacy and Littleberry Edgerton. Their assistants were Messrs. Tony Edgerton, W. H. Luck, M. J. Lacy and T. J. Luck.

New Synagogue For Charlottesville.

Mrs. J. H. Morris and Mrs. H. W. Porter, of Louisa C. H., have sold a lot on Jefferson street, Charlottesville, to the congregation of the Jewish Synagogue of that city for \$2,000. The old site was recently purchased by the U. S. Government for the new Custom House, and the old house of worship will be removed to the new site and rebuilt with many improvements added.

Poisoned by a Mosquito in Florida.

Rev. J. T. Hundley, of Hart's Heights, Richmond, has for some time been troubled with serious blood poisoning from a mosquito bite. Mr. Hundley was given a leave of absence by his church and went to Florida to recuperate. While there he was bitten by a mosquito. The wound became very much inflamed and his physicians feared blood poisoning. He is now convalescing and it is hoped will recover.

For Rheumatism.

It is a pleasure to note the success of The Bobbitt Chemical Company, of Baltimore, Md., manufacturers of Rheumacide, which is said to be a very superior remedy for rheumatism and other blood diseases. This Company has grown from a small beginning until it is now one of the most extensive advertisers in the United States, using newspapers and other methods, also.

A Virginia Beauty.

The Baltimore Herald says: "Seldom has Catonsville been visited by a more charming and attractive girl than Miss Francis Palmer Turner, who is spending a few weeks with Miss Naomie Taylor Whitely at her home, on Newburg avenue, Va., and is connected with many of the oldest families of that old Commonwealth, where she is a noted beauty."

STAFFORD COURT.

Small Crowd—Another Railroad Election Ordered—March 19th The Times-News Court Proceedings, Etc.

There were only twenty-eight people at Stafford court Wednesday. The roads were almost impossible and a team driven by Joe Baker was mired near the church about a mile from Brooke. Alamy was in the vehicle when it was taken out by two men and carried to firm ground. The wagon was pulled up and the wagon men who were near by. The wagon in which were The Free Lance representatives and Messrs. A. T. Embrey and W. D. Carter came near being stuck in the half-frozen ground, and the party got out and walked for some distance. They were in some measure relieved by finding a Stafford postman's note near by. The delicious fruit which had been blown from the tree and was lying crisp and clean on top of the snow. This and Mrs. Bryan's good dinner were the only redeeming features of the trip. Judge Chichester and Attorney C. D. Foster rode over on horseback. The cold made their cheeks as red as the roses that bloom in the Spring.

The court made an order of special interest. It was for an election on March 19th, 1903, to decide whether Stafford should vote a subscription to the stock of the Fredericksburg and Rappahannock Electric Railroad. This is the second election for this purpose, the first having been void on technical grounds.

Treasurer Casley sat in his office warming himself before the big wood fire; the money he wanted to receive was not forthcoming. Clerk Bryan was busy as usual, but Judge Chichester was soon disposed of the business before him.

NOTES.

Mr. William Wilson, at Brooke, is a great sufferer from an abscess caused by a defective tooth. He came over to this city and is in care of a physician here.

The engineers of the R. F. & P. R. R. who are making levels for the double tracking of the road are working near Brooke.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

On motion of William H. Rice, executor of John Haydon, deceased, St. George R. Fitzhugh is appointed trustee in place of William A. Little, Jr., a non-resident, in the deed of trust of July 26, 1888, from Virginia R. Greenlaw to said John Haydon, to secure a bond of \$250 to John Haydon, it appearing to the court that all parties interested have been properly notified of said motion.

The will and testament of Hawkins Stone, deceased, was produced in court and proven by the oaths of C. A. Bryan and T. W. Berry to be wholly in his own hand-writing, and ordered to be recorded, and Huzar Adie and George V. Moncreux, executors therein named, appeared in court, and together with James A. Moncreux and R. A. Moncreux as his surties, entered into a bond in the penalty of \$8,000, conditioned according to law, and the said Huzar Adie and George V. Moncreux further qualified by taking the oath required by law. And on their motion the court doth appoint R. E. L. Ford, E. Walker and R. A. Moncreux as appraisers, who, after being first duly sworn, are directed to appraise the personal estate of said H. Stone, deceased, and make report to court.

Shellett vs. Shellett. This day comes the plaintiff, by his attorney, and the defendant, being solemnly called, came not, whereupon it is considered by the court that the plaintiff recover of the defendant the premises in controversy, and their cost by them in this behalf expended, and that a writ of possession be issued, etc.

DeWitt vs. E. M. Mountjoy. Motion in nuncupat. The notice of this motion, with a copy of the account upon which it is based being returned and duly executed, came not, whereupon the court ordered that the defendant being solemnly called, come not, whereupon the court recovered by the court that the plaintiff recover from the defendant the sum of \$10.00 with interest from 1st of March, 1892, till paid, and his cost by him in this behalf expended.

On motion of N. T. Shacklett (the intestate) having departed this life about three years ago, the court doth appoint the estate of Murray Bryant to the sheriff of this county for administration.

Bond of H. G. Chesley referred to Commissioner of Accounts for enquiry and report.

Railroad Election Ordered for 19th of March, 1903.

DeWitt vs. J. L. Berry. Judgment for \$38.20, and an appeal noted. Mary G. Nicholson qualified as administratrix of H. Len Leitch, with W. D. Carter as surety, bond \$200. W. D. Carter, A. R. Howard, Geo. Shepherd, Jr., J. C. Chichester and A. T. Embrey, appraisers.

The notice, which has been returned duly executed, and all parties interested, the court doth substitute G. B. Wallace as trustee in a deed of trust from Gusti Johnson and wife to W. A. Little, dated March 20, 1883, it appearing that said W. A. Little has departed this life.

The following persons having presented accounts against the Commonwealth of Virginia, same were examined and found correct and ordered certified to the Auditor of Public Accounts for payment: S. Timmons \$4.19; J. K. Bryan, jailor, \$11.20. And the following persons \$1 each as coroner's jurors in the case of R. B. Porter, to-wit: Wilson DeCato, Geo. Gray, Ben Dickerson, Jos. DeCato, Noble DeCato, Rich. DeCato, W. M. Norman, J. P., acting coroner, three accounts; A. Segar, \$1.50.

The court doth appoint Dr. R. J. Payne as coroner of this county who this day appeared in court and duly qualified by taking the oath as required by law. His attorney, J. B. Smith, was released from jail, but is not to be released from fine.

Congressman Hay's Victory.

Representative Hay won a notable victory in the House by having sent back to the conference the conference report on the army appropriation bill, and there is little doubt that the bill will become a law without the feature to which Mr. Hay raised chief objection.

The conference report contained a provision allowing officers of the army to deposit with the government money to the amount of \$5,000 and to receive therefor interest at 3 per cent.

Mr. Hay, in a brief speech, opposed this feature as being contrary to public policy. He declared that if one class of officers of the government were to be allowed the privilege of getting 3 per cent for their money, other officials should have the same privilege. Certainly officers of the navy should have it, as they were often thousands of miles from a U. S. bank.

Mathews Representatives Preside Over The Two Houses.

Rather an unusual thing occurred in the General Assembly on Tuesday. By a remarkable coincidence both the House and the Senate were presided over by gentlemen from the same county at the same time. In the House Mr. Hanley was called to the chair by the president, and these two gentlemen from the little county of Mathews presided simultaneously over the two houses for considerable time, neither being aware of the fact until attention was called to the occurrence afterwards.

KING GEORGE.

Improvements at Colonial Beach. For a New Line of Steamers. Personalities, Etc.

Comorn, Va., Feb. 19, 1903.

Among the many improvements to be made at Colonial Beach this spring is the erection of a modern Rolla Costa, a large addition to the big hotel recently purchased by Capt. Randall, of Washington, rebuilding the wharf, the erection of a power house 80 by 80 feet, and the erection of a number of new cottages.

The Baptists of Colonial Beach gave the Baptistists of the "Colonial house" on Tuesday night, from which a snug sum was realized for the benefit of the Baptist church of that town.

It is understood that merchants and others in this county, and all along the Potomac river, are subscribing liberally to the stock of the steamboat company recently incorporated in Washington, for the purpose of operating steamboats on the Potomac. Some of the King George merchants have taken stock.

The excellent shipping facilities and steamboat accommodations, for which the Potomac was proverbial for many years, gave place to a monopoly when the several river boats passed to the ownership and control of one company, and it is for the purpose of procuring better facilities and accommodations that independent boats will be put on the river in the near future.

Dr. Whiting of King and Queen, who is located at Port Conway and is practicing medicine in that section of King George.

Mr. George W. Sorrell has returned to his home in Washington, after spending a week on his farm here.

Miss Mattie Farmer and Lida Peyton, of this neighborhood, have gone to Washington to spend some time with kinfolk and friends.

Mr. Walter Purks, of Igo, made a brief business trip to Baltimore this week.

Dr. T. T. Arnold, of "Willow Hill," who has been quite sick for some days, is reported better.

Mrs. Fiddling Lewis, who has been ill in Washington since Christmas has so far recovered as to be able to return to King George, and is, at present, a guest at Berry Place, the home of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Dickerson. The King George people are delighted to hear of Mrs. Lewis' recovery and return home.

INFERNAL MACHINE NEARLY KILLS A NORFOLK BOY.

Dynamite Sent His Sister Through The Mail.

A package containing a stick of dynamite exploded in the hands of Harry Hicks in Norfolk Tuesday last, nearly burning the little fellow and demolishing the room in which the explosion occurred. Young Hicks resides with his sister, Mrs. M. Parlett. He received a package addressed to his sister, which was delivered by a postman and went into the home to hand it to his owner. Mrs. Parlett requested her brother to open the package thinking that it was a valentine, which had been delayed. When the cover of the package was removed a terrific explosion occurred, throwing every one in the room down on their faces and almost wrecking the apartment.

A rigid investigation was instituted by the post-office authorities. The package contained a small stick of dynamite with matches and a horn power so arranged that when an attempt was made to take the cover off the box, it would cause the horn power with which the box was almost filled to ignite. Back shot was also placed in the package, and these were hurled all over the room by the explosion. Mrs. Parlett has been married only a short time.

Candidates For Norfolk Postmaster-ship.

The candidates mentioned for the Norfolk postoffice are Miss Hallie Waddy, daughter of the late Postmaster Waddy; R. B. Garner, H. D. Nichols, J. E. West, Henry Barker and Hugh G. Miller. Nichols is endorsed by Bowler. Garner will make Miss Waddy assistant postmaster at \$1,700 per year should be elected. J. E. West says he won't run unless the Republican organization endorses him. Hugh Miller will not apply, but may be called a receptive candidate.

Alimony to Mrs. Shaw.

In the divorce proceedings which resulted in the separation of Robert Gould Shaw, second, and his wife, Nannie Lange-borne Shaw, at Charlottesville, nothing appeared as to alimony, although it was regarded as beyond doubt that Mrs. Shaw got a very comfortable sum by an arrangement out of court. It is now reported that the amount was \$250,000, paid in a lump sum and that Mrs. Shaw's attorney, Daniel Harmon, of Charlottesville, received a fee of \$10,000.

Death of Mrs. Wolcott at Virginia Beach.

Mrs. Wolcott, of Colonial Beach, one of the first settlers at that place, died. The flag of the town were placed at half-mast, and the schools temporarily closed, in her honor. The Rev. J. R. Thomas conducted the funeral services at the Wolcott home Monday, after which the body was taken to Washington for interment.

Big Batch of Sunday Liquor Sellers in Norfolk Pay Fines.

Fifteen saloon-keepers were fined \$50 dollars each at Norfolk Thursday for Sunday liquor selling. All appeared.

Local Option Election in Charlottesville.

Judge Morris, of the corporate court, has ordered a local option election for Charlottesville, to take place March 25th.

Local Markets.

(Corrected by Simon Hirsch & Bro.) Wheat, 85 to 89, corn, new, 45 to 50, meal, \$1.40 to \$1.50 per 100 pounds; oats, 40 to 50; barley (dried), 3 to 3.50; 10 to 11; turkeys (dried), 11 to 12; turkeys, dressed, 13 to 16; ducks, 8 to 9, dressed, 11 to 12; Winter chickens, 12 to 13 pound; lamb, 11 to 12; eggs, 14 to 15; butter, 15 to 25; hams, 14 to 15; Irish potatoes, 7 to 7.50; sweet potatoes, 7 to 8; beef, 8 to 9; veal, 4 to 5; pork, 7 to 7.50; hides (green), 3 to 6; hides (dry), 5 to 10; baled hay, \$15 to \$18 per ton.

Wool—Unwashed, 19 to 20; washed, 24 to 25.

Leaf Simcoe—50 to 60 cents per hundred pounds.

THE GRAIN MARKETS.

The grain markets closed yesterday as follows: Chicago—Wheat, Feb. 74½; May 77½; July 78½; corn, Feb. 43½; May 45½; July 47½; oats, Feb. 34½; May 35½; July 36½; New York—Southern wheat, 83; corn, 58. Baltimore—Southern wheat, 78 to 84; Southern corn, 50 to 55. Richmond—Wheat, 80 to 85; corn 50 to 54; oats, 45 to 50. Alexandria—Wheat, 78 to 79; corn 50 to 54.

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